AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

The following claim listing replaces all prior listings and versions of the claims:

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A remote access system comprising:

a server;

a client device for conducting remote access to the server via a communication channel constituted between the client device and the server; and

a storage medium comprising an anti-tampering memory area for storing authentication information used to constitute the communication channel and conduct the remote access, and a non-volatile memory area for storing a program, the storage medium being connected to the client device, wherein:

the storage medium comprises a common interface to be used by the client device to access each of the anti-tampering memory area and the non-volatile memory area, [[and]]

the client device comprises a first interface for accessing the anti-tampering memory area, a second interface for accessing the non-volatile memory area, and an access control driver, coupled to the first interface and the second interface, for accessing the common interface,

the client device is configured to:

access the anti-tampering memory area <u>via the first interface</u>, the access control <u>driver</u>, and the common interface, [[and]]

access the non-volatile memory area via the second interface, the access control driver, and the common interface, the common interface in the storage medium in response to a plurality of access requests,

constitute the communication channel between the client device and the server by

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executing the program stored in the non-volatile memory area and by using the authentication

information stored in the anti-tampering memory area, and

conduct remote access to the server via the communication channel, and

the common interface being configured to issue a plurality of sequential responses to

each of the plurality of access requests,

the access control driver is configured to process congestion control such that an access

for the non-volatile memory area being arranged to be is saved when the access request for the

non-volatile memory area is made before a [[last]] response of the plurality of sequential

responses to a previous access request to the anti-tempering memory area, and the access for the

non-volatile memory area [[being]] is performed after the [[last]] response to the previous access

request;

constitute the communication channel between the client device and the server by

executing the program stored in the non-volatile memory area and by using the authentication

information stored in the anti-tampering memory area; and

conduct remote access to the server via the communication channel.

2. (Previously presented) The remote access system according to claim 1, wherein

when access to the non-volatile memory area and access to the anti-tampering memory area

conducted via the common interface in the storage medium compete with each other, the client

device is configured to control the competition.

3. (Currently amended) The remote access system according to claim 2, wherein the

client device is configured to control the competition by conducting access to the non-volatile

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memory area and access to the anti-tampering memory area to be conducted via the common interface in the storage medium in a predetermined order.

- 4. (Previously presented) The remote access system according to claim 3, wherein the client device is configured to control the competition by executing access to the anti-tampering memory area to be conducted via the common interface in the storage medium in preference to access to the non-volatile memory area.
- 5. (Previously presented) The remote access system according to claim 1, wherein the client device is configured to store temporary data generated when executing a program in the client device, in the non-volatile memory area of storage medium.
- 6. (Currently amended) The remote access system according to claim 1, wherein: the non-volatile memory area in the storage medium is configured so as to be able to be accessed by the client device faster than the anti-tampering memory area,

the storage medium retains a copy of the authentication information stored in the antitampering area, in the non-volatile memory area in the storage medium, and

the client device is configured to utilize the copied authentication information instead of the authentication information stored in the anti-tampering area.

7. (Previously presented) The remote access system according to claim 1 further comprising a controller connected to the server and the client device to manage a power supply of the server,

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wherein the client device is configured to access the controller and conducts power supply management of the server to be subject to the remote access.

8. (Currently amended) The remote access system according to claim 1, wherein: the storage medium is connected to the client device, and

when the remote access conducted by the client device using the constituted communication channel is finished and the connection between the client device and the storage medium is canceled, the client device deletes information concerning the remote access conducted using the constituted communication channel, from the client device.

9-21. (Cancelled)